

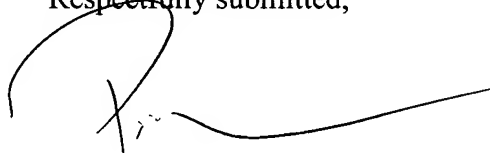
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**Remarks**

Applicant has revised the specification to reflect the updated priority data. Applicant has also replaced the paper sequence listing with a corrected sequence listing that includes previously-omitted Sequence Listings 8 and 9. No new matter has been added by way of this Preliminary Amendment, entry of which is respectfully requested.

The claims have been amended to define a method of screening for compounds affecting a reproductive disorder. Support for the new claims is found at page 11, lines 2-23; page 14, line 8-page 18, line 7; pages 27-31; example 6 at pages 45-66, and original claim 17.

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